DISTRICT IV ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES June 5, 2002

The District IV Advisory Board meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at Stanley Neighborhood City Hall located at 1749 S. Martinson. In attendance were (10) District Advisory Board Members, (9) City staff members and (1) citizen.

Members Present

Council Member Bill Gale

Dorman Blake

Wayne Wells

June Bailey Jerry McGinty

Ed Koon

Iola Crandall

Jim Benton

Gary Stein

Bea Vickers

Paul Ward

Members Absent

Tom Kessler

Guests

Irene Armstrong,

Phyllis McCabe

The rest will be submitted on a final draft

at our June 19th meeting.

Staff

Officer Anthony Bamberger, Patrol South

Officer Drew Seiler, Patrol West

Officer Beck, Patrol West

Officer Richard Mellard, Patrol West Kurt Schroeder, Superintendent of OCI

Scott Logan, Traffic Engineer

Aaron Hamilton, Neighborhood Assistant

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order

Council Member Bill Gale called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed guests and presenters.

Approval of Minutes

- April 17th guest should have a "Y" instead of a "T" in his name
- May 1st agenda should say "agenda" at the bottom of page one
- □ Paul Ward was left off of the members present again

The minutes of April 17, 2002 and May 1, 2002, were approved pending corrections: (**Benton/Blake 10-0**)

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved with a Public Works case being deferred to July. The vote passed 10:0 (McGinty, Blake).

PUBLIC AGENDA

The Public Agenda contains requests from members of the public who desire to present matters to the District Advisory Board. Each presentation is limited to a period of five minutes unless extended by the Board.

1. South West Street Fences – Kurt Schroeder, Superintendent of OCI updated the Board on the current status of enforcement for the salvage yard fences along South West Street. Schroeder attended DAB IV meetings in April and February, 2002, pertaining to citizen complaints against the fencing of salvage yards along South West Street. Many salvage yards are legal, non-conforming businesses and can exist legally within City limits due to annexation laws. He explained that he was originally asked, "Are the fences in compliance with the zoning code". A separate licensing process exists for salvage yards. The Law Department found that screening fences do have to meet fencing standards as part of the licensing process. In the first part of May, inspectors hand-delivered letters to businesses giving them a month to discuss fencing options with OCI. Most of the businesses contacted have replied. Formal notices are going out at the end of this week or beginning of next week. If businesses choose not to comply, they will either have to go to Court or face the possibility of not getting their license renewed. They will be given 4 to 6 months to comply. This will affect salvage operations around the city, not just those along south West Street.

The following are questions and comments from DAB members. Answers are in italics:

Jerry McGinty – Are there businesses in there without licenses? *Yes, there are a couple without current City licenses. They will be handled differently as they will need to get licensed, however, they will not be able to because of the fencing problem, so the City will work with them concerning this issue.*

Dorman Blake thanked **Schroeder** for doing work for him and helping out the DAB with this issue. **Kurt** thanked **Dorman** and complimented the Police for patrolling the right of way and communicating with the Board.

Officer Seiler commented that after receiving word from the Law Department, OCI began contacting businesses letting them know what needed to be done. He contacted the salvage yards and they are working on it. Parking has been excellent and no citations have been given since then.

Kurt Schroeder noted a couple of operators have been working with OCI to make arrangements regarding fencing at their businesses.

Greg Millsworth from Southwest Salvage. Dad owns property. He asked who decides what is and is not aesthetically pleasing? He has concerns about screening their entire property, but feels better about that after attending this meeting. Invited Council Member Gale to go visit them and see their place. He informed the Board the businesses also have to have KDHE and salvage licenses. They have the feeling that they are being included in this whole deal because of the conditions at other businesses on their property. They stated that they are willing to work with the group.

Kurt Schroeder emphasized changes won't happen over night. It is going to take time to give the businesses a fair chance to make changes.

Wanda Gibson, citizen, asked if there is funding through the City? **Bill Gale** and **Kurt Schroeder** were not aware of any but said the City should have some way to help. She explained how her tenants go to her about the salvage yards. She is only concerned about West Street, not with the businesses behind the fences. **Aaron Hamilton** will look into any possible funding that might be available.

***** Action taken: A motion was approved to invite Kurt Schroeder back to the October DAB meeting to give an update on the status of the fencing 10:0 (Benton:Ward).

PUBLIC WORKS AGENDA

2. Proposed Improvement District for a waterline along Carey Lane, west of Seneca – This case has been postponed until July as per a request by the Public Works Department.

PLANNING AGENDA

3. No items submitted at this time.

BOARD AGENDA

- **4. Proposed Access Management Policy Scott Logan**, Traffic Engineer with Public Works, presented the proposed Access Management Policy. Staff has worked with the development community to formulate new access guidelines for arterial streets that would apply to new subdivisions, site plans, and new building permits that would generate additional traffic due to expansion or change in use. **Ed Koon**, DAB member was on the task force. The proposal is going to County this month, City Council, and MAPC next month, after DAB input is received. The goal is to improve major arterials (not collector or local streets). This applies to only new developments. There are a total of 9 policies.
 - **1.** Driveway spacing from intersections.
 - 2. Right-of-way through lane at intersection and additional sidewalk.
 - **3.** Spacing standards for driveways along major arterials.
 - **4.** Minimum median length at intersection.
 - **5.** Public Works may require traffic impact reports.
 - **6.** Cross lot access for new development strongly urged but not required.
 - 7. Deviation from standards. Guidelines only, not required.
 - **8.** Guidelines are applied to the other cases for change in business at a single location.
 - **9.** Future access management policy initiatives- looks at funding for site improvements to move driveways.

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June Bailey said it seems like Wichita has very small entrances. Is there any way they could be larger? **Logan**, agreed and said he supports that also. It could only help. The only determent is cars might not be at a 90-degree angle.

Wayne Wells noted the problem at West Way Shopping Center (Seneca and Pawnee). *That property would benefit too.*

June Bailey also asked would there be a reevaluation after a year? *These will be approved by the City Council. Not sure how, beyond that, to reevaluate the subject. Yes, they can go back.*

Ed Koon noted the Task Force recommended this but not unanimously. This is a building block for the future. *Scott Logan* said they sought input from developers, builders, staff and citizens at large. This is the compromise.

Council Member Bill Gale asked how would New Market Square fall into this? It doesn't fit exactly, but development along corridor does meet the requirements.

Council Member Gale thanked **Ed Koon** for serving on the Task Force. He also thanked **Scott Logan** and **Kurt Schroeder** for coming out also.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This time is for members to make announcements of any projects their neighborhoods may be working on or has completed within the last month.

5. Jim Benton announced the Southwest Village Neighborhood Association clean up June 1st. Their next meeting is Tuesday, June 11, 2002. He thanked **Council Member Gale, Aaron Hamilton,** and the Community Police, particularly **Officer Drew Seiler,** for helping out. Community Police Officers did a lot of extra work beyond what was expected of them.

Gary Stein reported on the McCormick Neighborhood Association will be asking the City to install antique style lights along McCormick from McLean to Newman University. They also hope to convert McCormick Elementary into a neighborhood center for kids to come in for things like dance class, music, acting etc., with volunteers doing the teaching at no charge to the participants. The goal would be to make the neighborhood safer by providing a place for children to meet.

Wayne Wells last meeting saw "Save our Land, Save our Town", if you would like to show it, call Ray Rancuret at 264-4795. Next meeting is June 18th, clean up June 15th, St. Joe's at 7:30 A.M.

June Bailey June 29th will be the annual Party in the Park with prizes (smoker) which is Orchard Breeze' only fundraiser. **Officer Beck** got a pat on the back for the excellent job she did on cleaning up neighbors' yards. The couple whose property was cleaned included an elderly women who is bed-ridden and blind and her husband who is retired. The lot was 2-acres. They tore down four buildings and removed 73 tons (eight skids) of debris. She also thanked the neighbor with the loader-**Chet Lacy**, for donating his time and equipment. Boeing is building a door for the basement of the house on the property

Council Member Gale also thanked all the people involved, including neighbor Chet Lacy.

Bea Vickers announced Southwest Neighborhood had a speaker on the Dynaplex at their last meeting. A new recycling guide is out. **Irene Armstrong** was re-elected president of SWNA with **Bill Williams** as Vice President. Their next meeting June 25th.

Dorman Blake and the Riverside HOA and NA thanked the City Attorney and Police for getting Betty Le Boop's moved. They are throwing a picnic to celebrate.

Paul Ward announced **Bea Vickers** is the new Secretary of SWNA as well as the Community Relations Coordinator.

Iola Crandall will have an attorney speak at the meeting June 6^{th} at "The Arc" on St. Paul and 2^{nd} . They will not be meeting in July. The first Thursday in August is the cookout at "The Arc". They will be showing a video to build support for cleanup.

Officer Anthony Bamberger reported the River Festival only had one arrest related to the River Festival. Officers on Broadway have been arresting Johns for a prostitution sting. ABC training for South side officers is coming up. They have been trying to work with a bar called "the Sugar Shack" on S. Broadway re: violence and other law breaking behaviors. Officer Bamberger received the "Good Apple " award from Kelly Elementary. The Police received another grant from the State of Kansas to help enforce child seat belts and seating. Bradford Glen, an apartment complex at 880 S. Hydraulic was the 10th property that was certified in the crime free multi-housing program. Bamberger wrote an application for the National award. They are meeting in Kansas City to form the "Mid America Crime Free Multi Housing Program" which has 501(C)3 status and the regional office will be in Wichita. He helped with Special Olympics. Reported the Adult Super store is appealing to the feds to have their court order overturned so they can open their store again. There is a camp from June 24th thru the 27th for "at risk kids". June 10th is the citywide Community Police meeting where

they will be getting "nuisance abatement training". June 14th there will be a dedication at Lincoln and Broadway for the firefighters.

Irene Armstrong is waiting on paperwork from Key Management for the grant application.

Officer Beck is investigating a complaint the "Blues and Brews" bar at 4331 W. Central. The complaint is about the music being too loud. It seems the other neighbors don't have any problem with the noise; however, the Health Department has been out to measure the decibels. **Council Member Gale** and **Mr. Gray** thanked her.

Officer Seiler has been working the problem with drag racing on S. West St. He thanked the team for their help with the clean up. The goal for SWNA is for attendance to be up next year. Patrol West is working on Team warrant sweeps.

Phyllis McCabe explained people come to meetings when Police related events happen. Use calling lists as reminders to help increase attendance at meetings.

Council Member Bill Gale thanked **June Bailey** for her many years of service with the CPO and DAB.

Board Action: A motion was made and passed to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. by a vote of 10:0 (Ward: Vickers).

Respectfully Submitted, Aaron Hamilton District IV Neighborhood Assistant